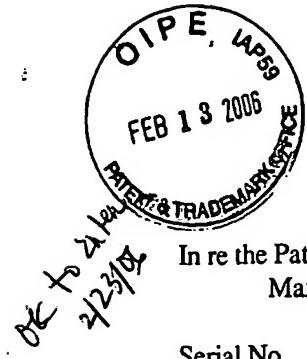


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2005, having a three month shortened statutory period for reply which expires March 13, 2006, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims beginning on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this Amendment.